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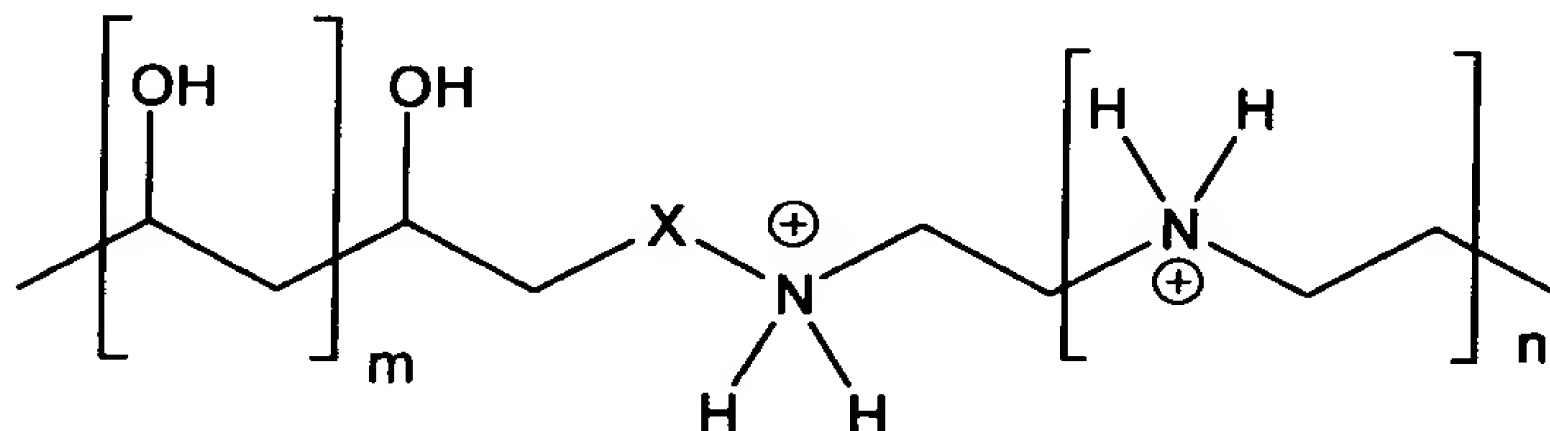
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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Dear Sir:

This is a response to the Office Action of August 2, 2002 in the above-referenced application.

In response to the Examiner's requirement of an election of an ultimate species of block copolymer inclusive of specific first and second blocks, applicant elects the block copolymer set out in Example 1 of the present specification:



where m and n are both between 5 and 13, proving between 6 and 14 mers in each block, and X is an optional linker molecule, for example, a carbon atom or a polyethylene linker. The total molecular weight should be between 500-10,000.

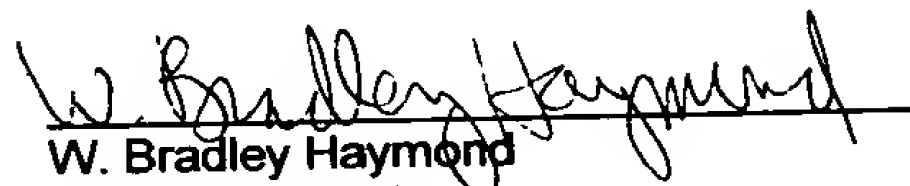
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In view of this election, Applicant respectfully requests a prompt and positive response.

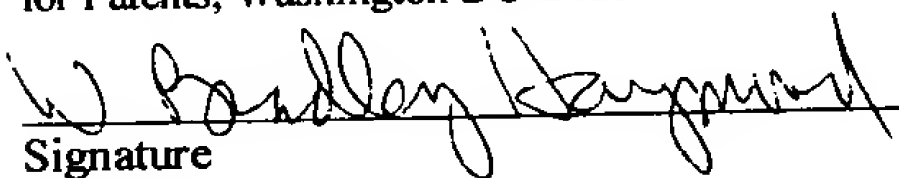
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TRANSMITTAL LETTER FOR RESPONSE/AMENDMENT

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is/are the following in the above-identified application:

- () Response/Amendment () Petition to extend time to respond
() New fee as calculated below () Supplemental Declaration
(X) No additional fee (Address envelope to "Box Non-Fee Amendments")
(X) Other: Response to RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT (fee \$ _____)

| CLAIMS AS AMENDED BY OTHER THAN A SMALL ENTITY | | | | | | |
|--|--|------------------------|--|-------------------------|-------------|---------------------------|
| (1) FOR | (2) CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT | (3) NUMBER EXTRA | (4) HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR | (5) PRESENT EXTRA | (6) RATE | (7) ADDITIONAL FEES |
| TOTAL CLAIMS | 15 | MINUS | 20 | = 0 | X \$18 | \$ 0 |
| INDEP. CLAIMS | 1 | MINUS | 3 | = 0 | X \$84 | \$ 0 |
| [] FIRST PRESENTATION OF A MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM | | | | | + \$280 | \$ 0 |
| EXTENSION FEE | 1ST MONTH \$110.00 | 2ND MONTH \$400.00 | 3RD MONTH \$920.00 | 4TH MONTH \$1440.00 | | \$ 0 |
| OTHER FEES | | | | | | \$ |
| TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT | | | | | | \$ 0 |

Charge \$ 0 to Deposit Account 08-2025. At any time during the pendency of this application, please charge any fees required or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account 08-2025 pursuant to 37 CFR 1.25. Additionally please charge any fees to Deposit Account 08-2025 under 37 CFR 1.16 through 1.21 inclusive, and any other sections in Title 37 of the Code of Federal Regulations that may regulate fees. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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